

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—24

Aikin	Mauritz
Beck	Metcalfe
Brownlee	Moore
Bullock	Morris
Chadick	Ramsey
Cotten	Shivers
Graves	Stone
Hazlewood	Sulak
Jones	Vick
Lane	Weinert
Lanning	Winfield
Lovelady	York
Martin	

Present—Not Voting

Moffett

Absent—Excused

Fain	Lemens
Formby	Spears
Kelley	

(President in the Chair.)

Reports of Standing Committee

Senator Winfield, by unanimous consent, submitted at this time the following reports:

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas,
March 4, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Banking to whom was referred S. B. No. 190, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

WINFIELD, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas,
March 15, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Public Lands and Land Office to whom was referred

S. B. No. 94, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the granting of telephone, telegraph, electric trans-

mission and/or power line right of ways and/or easements . . . across public lands, etc.; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

WINFIELD, Chairman.

Announcement by Senator Chadick

Senator Chadick announced that Madame Chiang Kai-Shek had informed the committee appointed to invite her to address a joint session of the Texas Legislature that it would be impossible to accept the invitation on account of illness.

Adjournment

Senator Martin moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

The motion prevailed; and the Senate, accordingly, at 12 o'clock m., adjourned until 10:00 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

THIRTY-SIXTH DAY

(Wednesday, March 17, 1943)

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m. pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

The roll was called, and the following Senators were present:

Aikin	Mauritz
Beck	Metcalfe
Brownlee	Moffett
Bullock	Moore
Chadick	Morris
Cotten	Ramsey
Graves	Shivers
Hazlewood	Stone
Jones	Sulak
Kelley	Vick
Lane	Weinert
Lanning	Winfield
Lovelady	York
Martin	

A quorum was announced present.

Rev. S. B. Culpepper, Chaplain, offered prayer.

On motion of Senator Aikin, and by unanimous consent, the reading of

the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

Reports of Standing Committees

Senator Metcalfe submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas,
March 17, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic to whom was referred S. C. R. No. 23, have had same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

METCALFE, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
March 17, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic to whom was referred S. B. No. 271, have had same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

METCALFE, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
March 17, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic to whom was referred S. B. No. 187, have had same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

METCALFE, Chairman.

Senator Vick submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,
March 16, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Insurance to whom was referred S. B. No. 191, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

VICK, Chairman.

Senator Weinert submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas,
March 16, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence to whom was referred S. B. No. 225, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass with the attached Committee amendment and be printed.

WEINERT, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
March 16, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence to whom was referred S. B. No. 176, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

WEINERT, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
March 16, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence to whom was referred S. B. No. 218, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

WEINERT, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
March 16, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence to whom was referred S. B. No. 146, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, with the attached Committee amendments and be printed.

WEINERT, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
March 16, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of
the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence to whom was referred S. B. No. 285, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

WEINERT, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
March 16, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of
the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred S. B. No. 254, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

WEINERT, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
March 16, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of
the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred S. B. No. 284, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

WEINERT, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
March 16, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of
the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence to whom was referred S. B. No. 256, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that the Committee substitute attached hereto do pass in lieu thereof and be printed.

WEINERT, Chairman.

Message from the House

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas,
March 17, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of
the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following resolutions:

S. C. R. No. 33, Authorizing the Engrossing and Enrolling Clerk of the Senate to correct the caption of S. B. No. 137.

H. C. R. No. 55, Providing for portrait of Governor Coke R. Stevenson.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE JONES,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Committee Substitute House Bill 79 on Passage to Third Reading

The President laid before the Senate as the unfinished business on its passage to third reading (the bill having been read second time on Wednesday, March 10, 1943):

C.S.H.B. No. 79, A bill to be entitled "An Act to accomplish the constitutional directive expressed in Article XVI, Section 16, by authorizing the incorporation of corporate bodies with banking and discounting privileges, and providing for a system of State supervision, regulation and control of banks and other financial institutions placed under the supervision of the Banking Department, to the end that all depositors and creditors of such bodies shall be adequately protected and secured. To accomplish which general purpose Title 16 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1925 is repealed."

With the following amendment by Senator Aikin pending:

Amend substitute for H. B. No. 79 by striking out all of Article 1, Chapter 2, page 7 of the printed substitute and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"By and with the advice and consent of the Senate the Governor shall appoint a Banking Commissioner who shall serve for a period of two years and whose term of office shall be concurrent with that of the Governor. The Commissioner shall be a practical banker with not less than five years experience within ten years prior to

his appointment. The compensation of the Commissioner shall be as fixed in the Departmental Appropriation Bill."

Question—Shall the amendment be adopted?

Senator Aikin moved that the bill be tabled subject to call and that H. B. No. 159 be taken up for immediate consideration by the Senate.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—12

Aikin	Lane
Bullock	Lanning
Chadick	Moffett
Cotten	Morris
Hazlewood	Sulak
Jones	Vick

Nays—15

Beck	Moore
Brownlee	Ramsey
Graves	Shivers
Kelley	Stone
Lovelady	Weinert
Martin	Winfield
Mauritz	York
Metcalf	

Absent—Excused

Fain	Lemens
Formby	Spears

Question recurring on the amendment by Senator Aikin, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—7

Aikin	Lanning
Bullock	Moore
Chadick	Sulak
Cotten	

Nays—19

Beck	Metcalf
Brownlee	Morris
Graves	Ramsey
Hazlewood	Shivers
Jones	Stone
Kelley	Vick
Lane	Weinert
Lovelady	Winfield
Martin	York
Mauritz	

Absent—Excused

Fain	Spears
Formby	

Paired

Senator Moffett (present), who would vote "yea" with Senator Lemens (absent), who would vote "nay."

Senator Moore offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend H. B. No. 79 by adding thereto a new Chapter to be known as Chapter X and reading as follows:

"Chapter X. The State of Texas through its Attorney General, or any District or County Attorney, may institute a suit in the District Court to enjoin any person, firm, or corporation or any officer, agent, servant or employee of such person, firm, corporation who is engaged in the business of habitually loaning money for the use and detention of which usurious interest has been charged against or contracted to be paid by the borrower, from demanding, receiving or by the use of any means attempting to collect from the borrower usurious interest on account of any loan, or from thereafter charging any borrower usurious interest, or contracting for any usurious interest. All persons, firms, or corporations, and their agents, officers, servants and employees similarly engaged in making loans of money as herein defined, who reside in the same county, may be enjoined in a single suit; and no plea of misjoinder of parties defendant shall ever be available to any defendant in such suit.

"By the term 'habitually' as used in this Act, is meant the engaging of as many as three loans on which or in connection with which usurious interest is charged or contracted for within a period of six months next preceding the filing of any such suit.

"By the term 'usurious interest' as used in this Act, is meant interest at a rate in excess of ten per centum per annum. Nothing in this Section shall in any way modify, alter or change any valid provision of Article 8 of Chapter V of this Act. 'Interest' within the meaning of this Chapter X shall not include any valid service charges now or hereafter authorized by law.

"In any such suit venue shall lie in the county of the residence of a defendant, or in a county where such business of loaning money is being conducted by such defendant.

"If any Section, sentence, phrase, or part of this Act shall be held unconstitutional, such unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof."

Senator Shivers moved to table the amendment.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion to table prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—16

Beck	Mauritz
Brownlee	Metcalf
Graves	Ramsey
Hazlewood	Shivers
Jones	Vick
Lane	Weinert
Lanning	Winfield
Martin	York

Nays—10

Aikin	Lovelady
Bullock	Moore
Chadick	Morris
Cotten	Stone
Kelley	Sulak

Absent—Excused

Fain	Spears
Formby	

Paired

Senator Moffett (present), who would vote "nay" with Senator Lemens (absent), who would vote "yea."

Senator Lanning offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend C. S. H. B. No. 79 by striking out "Finance Commission" in line 2 and 3, in line 14, line 22, and line 44, page 8, and insert in lieu thereof "Departmental Appropriation Bill."

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was passed to third reading.

Committee Substitute House Bill 79 on Third Reading

Senator Shivers moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that C. S. H. B. No. 79

be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—23

Beck	Martin
Brownlee	Mauritz
Bullock	Metcalf
Chadick	Moffett
Cotten	Ramsey
Graves	Shivers
Hazlewood	Stone
Jones	Vick
Kelley	Weinert
Lane	Winfield
Lanning	York
Lovelady	

Nays—4

Aikin	Morris
Moore	Sulak

Absent—Excused

Fain	Lemens
Formby	Spears

The President then laid the bill before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—20

Beck	Martin
Brownlee	Mauritz
Chadick	Metcalf
Graves	Ramsey
Hazlewood	Shivers
Jones	Stone
Kelley	Vick
Lane	Weinert
Lanning	Winfield
Lovelady	York

Nays—7

Aikin	Moore
Bullock	Morris
Cotten	Sulak
Moffett	

Absent—Excused

Fain	Lemens
Formby	Spears

Bills and Resolutions Signed

The President signed in the presence of the Senate, after their captions had been read, the following enrolled bills and resolutions:

H. C. R. No. 64, In memory of Joe L. Manry.

H. C. R. No. 65, Inviting the Hon. Prentiss M. Brown to address a joint session of the Legislature of Texas on April 14th, at 11:00 o'clock a. m.

S. C. R. No. 33, Authorizing correction in enrolled copy of S. B. No. 137.

S. B. No. 22, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the Board of Regents of the Sam Houston State Teachers College of Texas to acquire, and maintain and operate an airport for said institution; conferring the right of eminent domain; enacting other provisions in reference to the subject; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 137, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Subdivision 2 of Article 199, Title 8, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended by Acts 1939, Forty-sixth Legislature, page 150, so as to change the time and terms of holding the Second District Court in Angelina, Cherokee, and Nacogdoches Counties, constituting the Second Judicial District of Texas; validating and continuing all processes issued or served before this Act takes effect, including recognizances and bonds, and making them returnable to the next term of court in the summoning of grand and petit juries under this Act; and declaring an emergency."

Senate Bill 324 on First Reading

Senator Weinert moved that the rule prescribing limitations relative to the introduction of bills after the first 60 calendar days of the session be suspended, to permit the introduction of a bill, the provisions of which he explained.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—27

Aikin	Hazlewood
Beck	Jones
Brownlee	Kelley
Bullock	Lane
Chadick	Lanning
Cotten	Lovelady
Graves	Martin

Mauritz	Stone
Metcalf	Sulak
Moffett	Vick
Moore	Weinert
Morris	Winfield
Ramsey	York
Shivers	

Absent—Excused

Fain	Lemens
Formby	Spears

The following bill was then introduced, read first time, and referred to the committee indicated:

By Senator Weinert:

S. B. No. 324, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Subsection 22 of Article 199, Title 8, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, so as to change the time and terms of holding the 22nd District Court in Austin, Hays, Caldwell, Fayette, and Comal Counties, constituting the Twenty-second Judicial District of Texas; validating and continuing all processes issued or served before this Act takes effect, including recognizances and bonds, and making them returnable to the next term of court in said counties and district, as herein fixed; to validate the summoning of grand and petit juries under this Act; and declaring an emergency."

To Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

House Concurrent Resolution 55

On motion of Senator Metcalfe, and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration at this time:

H. C. R. No. 55, Providing for purchase of portrait of Governor Coke R. Stevenson.

The resolution was read and was adopted.

Communication from the Secretary of Foreign Relations of Mexico

The President laid before the Senate, and had read, the following communication from the Honorable

Ezequiel Padilla, Secretary of Foreign Relations of the Republic of Mexico,

Secretary
of Foreign Relations
Mexico

February 22, 1943.

Hon. Members of the XLVIII Legislature of the State of Texas, Austin, Texas.

Distinguished gentlemen: Through the Honorables Augustine Celaya and A. J. Vale, Members of the said Legislature, I have had the pleasure to receive the invitation extended to me to speak before that body during its current session.

The Honorable Messrs. Celaya and Vale, have delivered to me, at the same time, a copy of the Concurrent Resolution No. 13, in which it was resolved to extend such invitation to the Attorney General of Mexico and to the undersigned.

The terms in which this resolution is phrased make my gratitude imperative toward that Hon. Legislature, inasmuch as an appreciation of my humble merits as a public man is therein made, which solely explains itself by the close ties of friendship that bind our two countries, because of my Pan-Americanistic conviction, my sincere admiration for the great people of the United States and by a spirit of good-will of yourselves toward my person, which I value in all its worth.

At present I do not find the possibility of abandoning my official duties in this city, because I am not only busy with the study of matters of an important nature for my country, but I am also as well engaged in looking after some prominent visitors from our Continent, whose arrival in Mexico is already set for an early date.

But I can assure you that in my program of future activities, a visit to the United States has been preferentially included, when I shall take advantage of the amiable disposition of the Hon. Legislature of Texas to greet its distinguished Members and personally express to them my gratitude.

I beg you, therefore, to take into consideration the reasons that prevent me to be with you at this time much

as I would like to, but please take also note that I am looking forward to have that pleasure at a not distant day, in which case I shall communicate with you in due course.

I renew you, distinguished Legislators, my deep appreciation for the distinction with which I have been honoured, as well as the assurances of my highest consideration and esteem.

EZEQUIEL PADILLA.
(Signed)

Reports of Standing Committees

Senator Weinert, by unanimous consent, submitted at this time the following reports:

Austin, Texas,
March 17, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence to whom was referred S. B. No. 324, have had same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

WEINERT, Chairman.

Senator Chadick, by unanimous consent, submitted at this time the following report:

Austin, Texas,
March 17, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Counties and County Boundaries to whom was referred

S. B. No. 204, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a special and more efficient road system for Leon County in the State of Texas, and making the county commissioners ex officio road commissioners and prescribing their powers and duties as such; etc.; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

CHADICK, Vice Chairman.

Senate Bill 325 on First Reading

The following local bill was introduced, read first time and referred to the committee indicated:

By Senator Jones:

S. B. No. 325, A bill to be entitled "An Act applying to that portion of the State of Texas inundated by a dam on the Red River near Denison, Texas, and including lands purchased by the Federal government for the operation of a reservoir on the Red River; providing for the repeal of all laws or parts of laws governing the taking of game or fish in said areas; providing that suitable regulations permitting the taking of game and fish as justified by the supply of same shall be made by the Game, Fish and Oyster Commission of the State of Texas; providing for public hearings; providing for the publication of any regulations made hereunder; providing for repeal of conflicting laws; providing a penalty to be applied to any person who takes or attempts to take game except when same is taken by means, methods or devices and within the limits given in regulations promulgated under the directions given in this Act; providing for the effective date of this Act and for the time it shall remain in effect; and declaring an emergency."

To Committee on Game and Fish.

Senate Bill 326 on First Reading

Senator Martin moved that the rule prescribing limitations relative to the introduction of bills after the first 60 calendar days of the session be suspended, to permit the introduction of a bill, the provisions of which he explained.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—27.

Aikin	Lovelady
Beck	Martin
Brownlee	Mauritz
Bullock	Metcalfe
Chadick	Moffett
Cotten	Moore
Graves	Morris
Hazlewood	Ramsey
Jones	Shivers
Kelley	Stone
Lane	Sulak
Lanning	Vick

Weinert
Winfield

York

Absent—Excused

Fain
Formby

Lemens
Spears

The following bill then was introduced, read first time, and referred to the committee indicated:

By Senator Martin:

S. B. No. 326, A bill to be entitled "An Act granting permission to M. C. Parrish & Company, a corporation chartered under the laws of Texas, to bring suit against the State of Texas and the State Board of Control, together with any and all other parties who may be proper or necessary in the prosecution of said suit, to ascertain and fix the amount, if any, due said M. C. Parrish & Company, by reason of the shipment, and delivery to, and acceptance by the State Tuberculosis Hospital, at Sanatorium, Texas, of 60.7725 tons of No. 2, alfalfa hay, at a total price of \$1,142.42, growing out of a contract between the State of Texas and Ross-Hicks Grain Company; and declaring an emergency."

To Committee on State Affairs.

Committee Substitute House Bill 159 on Second Reading

The President laid before the Senate on its second reading and passage to third reading:

C.S.H.B. No. 159, A bill to be entitled "An Act appropriating all unexpended and unappropriated balances on hand in the Old Age Assistance Fund to the State Department of Public Welfare for the purposes for which such Old Age Assistance Fund is authorized by law to be expended; providing how and when such unappropriated and unexpended balances may be expended; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Senator Moore offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend C. S. H. B. No. 159 by adding thereto a new Section to be known as Section 1A and reading as follows:

"Section 1A. Section 20 of S. B. No. 36, Acts of the Forty-sixth Leg-

islature, Regular Session, as amended by H. B. No. 611, Acts of the Forty-seventh Legislature, Regular Session, is amended hereby so as to read hereafter as follows:

"Sec. 20. Old Age Assistance shall be given under the provisions of this Act to any needy person:

"(1) Who has attained the age of sixty-five (65) years; and

"(2) Who is a citizen of the United States; and

"(3) Who has resided in the State of Texas for five (5) years or more within the last nine (9) years preceding the date of his application for assistance and has resided in the State of Texas continuously for one (1) year immediately preceding the application; and

"(4) Who is not at the time of receiving assistance an inmate of a public institution; and

"(5) No person who is in any manner provided with a reasonable subsistence compatible with health and decency, or who shall have available to him money or property of any kind, except the resident homestead, sufficient to provide him with such subsistence, shall be granted assistance; and

"(6) An applicant for old age assistance shall not be denied assistance because of the ownership of a resident homestead, as the term 'resident homestead' is defined in the Constitution and Laws of the State of Texas."

Senator Aikin submitted the following point of order on the amendment:

I raise the point of order that this is an appropriation bill and that as such any amendment proposing to amend the General Law is out of order as an amendment to this bill.

AIKIN.

The President sustained the point of order.

The bill then was passed to third reading.

Record of Vote

Senator Moore asked to be recorded as voting "nay" on the passage of the bill to third reading.

Committee Substitute House Bill 159 on Third Reading

Senator Aikin moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that C. S. H. B. No. 159 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—24

Aikin	Lovelady
Beck	Martin
Brownlee	Mauritz
Bullock	Metcalfe
Chadick	Moffett
Cotten	Morris
Graves	Ramsey
Hazlewood	Shivers
Jones	Stone
Kelley	Sulak
Lane	Vick
Lanning	York

Nays—3

Moore	Winfield
Weinert	

Absent—Excused

Fain	Lemens
Formby	Spears

The President then laid the bill before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—24

Aikin	Lovelady
Beck	Martin
Brownlee	Mauritz
Bullock	Metcalfe
Chadick	Moffett
Cotten	Morris
Graves	Ramsey
Hazlewood	Shivers
Jones	Stone
Kelley	Sulak
Lane	Vick
Lanning	York

Nays—3

Moore	Winfield
Weinert	

Absent—Excused

Fain	Lemens
Formby	Spears

Report of Standing Committee

Senator Stone, by unanimous consent, submitted at this time the following report:

Austin, Texas,
March 16, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Game and Fish to whom was referred S. B. No. 290, have had same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

STONE, Chairman.

Adjournment

Senator Metcalfe moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

The motion prevailed; and the Senate, accordingly, at 12:10 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10.00 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

THIRTY-SEVENTH DAY

(Thursday, March 18, 1943)

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Aikin	Mauritz
Beck	Metcalfe
Brownlee	Moffett
Bullock	Moore
Chadick	Morris
Cotten	Ramsey
Graves	Shivers
Hazlewood	Stone
Jones	Sulak
Lane	Vick
Lanning	Weinert
Lovelady	Winfield
Martin	York

A quorum was announced present.

Rev. S. B. Culpepper, Chaplain, offered prayer.

On motion of Senator Aikin, and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

Leave of Absence Granted

Senators Fain, Formby, Kelley, Lemens, and Spears were granted leave of absence for today on account of important business, on motion of Senator York.

Reports of Standing Committees

Senator Sulak submitted the following report:

Austin, Texas,
March 18, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Public Printing to whom was referred S. B. No. 281, have had same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that Committee substitute do pass and be printed.

SULAK, Chairman.

Senator Graves submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas,
March 17, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Constitutional Amendments to whom was referred S. J. R. No. 1, have had same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

GRAVES, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
March 17, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Constitutional Amendments to whom was referred H. J. R. No. 18, have had same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that the Senate Committee substitute attached hereto pass in lieu thereof and be printed.

GRAVES, Chairman.

Senator Hazlewood submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas,
March 17, 1943.

Hon. John Lee Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Oil, Gas and Conservation to whom was referred S. B. No. 311, have had same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

HAZLEWOOD, Chairman.